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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/044,273

Title: Novel Heparin-Induced CCN-like Molecules and Uses Therefor

Inventor: John J. Castellot, Jr. Filing Date: March 19, 1998 Attorney Docket No. MBI-004

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith for filing in the above-identified application the following:

- 1. Request for Five-Month Extension of Time (in duplicate);
- 2. Check in the amount of \$980.00 (extension fee); and
- 3. Pre-paid acknowledgment postcard.

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Applicants request a five-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated November 7, 2000. In lieu of an Appeal Brief, a Continuation Under Rule 53(b) is being filed concurrently herewith.

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